TOWN OF BROOKIELD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING April 4, 2019 – 7:00 P.M. BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL – ROOM 133

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<u>Minutes</u>

- 1. CALL TO ORDER First Selectman Steve Dunn called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. ELECTION OF MODERATOR First Selectman Steve Dunn asked the floor for nominations for a Moderator. Will Meikle was nominated by Jean Hartnett and seconded by Sue Slater. With no further nominations, a voice vote was take and passed unanimously. Moderator Meikle took over the meeting.
- 4. READING OF CALL OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Moderator Meikle asked the floor if there was a motion to waive the reading of the Call of the Meeting. Jean Hartnett made the motion to waive the reading of the Call of the Meeting and seconded by Steve Dunn. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD WARNING: NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Brookfield, and those entitled to vote therein, are hereby warned and notified to meet in Meeting Room 133 at the Brookfield Town Hall, 100 Pocono Road, Brookfield, Connecticut, on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 7:00 P.M., for the following purposes, to wit:

- 1. To consider and vote upon an appropriation in the amount of \$207,355 using CT DOT Community Connectivity Grant funds (100%) for the purposes detailed in the grant program application for the Still River Greenway 2,500 foot trail extension for access to the Brookfield Municipal Center and parking.
- 2. To discuss and consider a resolution (a) authorizing an appropriation of \$3,542,175 to fund the costs of the Town's capital expenses at Town facilities for the fiscal year 2019-20, including costs of the replacement of certain dump trucks for the Department of Public Works, the Bobcat Toolcat Utility Work vehicle for the Department of Parks and Recreation and the fire pumper truck for the Candlewood Fire Company; replacement of the roof over the truck bays at the Center Fire Company; replacements of data center hardware for the Police Department; acquisition and installation of Town and Police unified printing systems; road paving program; acquisition and installation of a new HVAC control system and parking lot, driveway and sidewalk paving at Brookfield High School; and replacement of the fire pump generator and parking lot, driveway and sidewalk paving and concreting at Whisconier Middle School (collectively referred to herein as the "2019-20 Capital Improvements Project"), and authorizing the Town to issue general obligation bonds or notes and temporary notes or enter into one or more equipment leases, as applicable, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,542,175 to finance said appropriation, (b) authorizing

the First Selectman and the Treasurer to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes or equipment leases, as applicable, and to reduce the scope of the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project and spend the entire amount of the appropriation on such Project as so reduced in scope if such Project cannot be completed for the amount appropriated; and (c) authorizing the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town to apply for and accept Federal and State grants to defray said appropriation and enter into any grant agreements for the accomplishment of the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project and to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project and to issue bonds or notes and temporary to defray the aforesaid appropriation. 3. To discuss and act upon a resolution setting Tuesday, May 21, 2019 from the hours of 6:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m., as the date and polling hours for the referendum vote on the resolution contained in Item 2 of the call of the meeting. Copies of said resolutions are on file and available for public inspection at the Office of the Brookfield Town Clerk.

Dated at Brookfield, Connecticut, this 22 day of March, 2019.

Board of Selectmen, Stephen C. Dunn, First Selectman Harry Shaker, Selectman Susan D. Slater, Selectman

- 5. RESOLUTION #1 SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF \$207,355 FOR STILL RIVER GREENWAY EXTENSION TOTALLY FUNDED BY CT DOT COMMUNITY CONNECTIVITY GRANT
 - A. READING OF THE RESOLUTION BY TOWN ATTORNEY Moderator Meikle asked the floor if there a motion to waive the reading of the Resolution by the Town Attorney? The Motion was made by Harry Shaker and seconded by Steve Dunn. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Upon the favorable recommendation of the Board of Selectmen on March 4, 2019 and approval of the Board of Finance on March 13, 2019, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Town of Brookfield authorizes a special appropriation of \$207,355 to be totally funded (100%) from CT DOT Community Connectivity grant funds for the Still River Greenway 2,500 foot trail extension for access to the Brookfield Municipal Center and parking.
- B. PRESENTATION By Town Officials First Selectman Steve Dunn presented the scope of the proposed Still River Greenway Extension project.
- C. DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC There was no Discussion from the public.
- D. With no Discussion, Questions or comments from the public, Moderator Meikle closed the Discussion

- E. VOTE ON RESOLUTION # 1. Moderator Meikle asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Still River Greenway Resolution. Joei Grudzinski made the Motion which was seconded by Jean Hartnett. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.
- 6. RESOLUTION #2 (Bond Resolution \$3,542,175 Capital Projects)
 - A) READING BY TOWN ATTORNEY Moderator Meikle asked the audience if there was a motion to waive the reading of the Resolution by the Town Attorney. Joei Grudzinski made the Motion which was seconded by Jean Hartnett. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.
 - Upon the favorable recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and approval of the Board of Finance, BE IT RESOLVED:
- (a) That the Town of Brookfield appropriate THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$3,542,175) to fund the costs of the Town's capital expenses at Town and School facilities for the fiscal year 2019-20, including the following acquisitions and replacements of and improvements to Town-owned facilities: replacement of certain dump trucks for the Department of Public Works, the Bobcat Toolcat Utility Work vehicle for the Department of Parks and Recreation and the fire pumper truck for the Candlewood Fire Company; replacement of the roof over the truck bays at the Center Fire Company; replacements of data center hardware for the Police Department; acquisition and installation of Town and Police unified printing systems; road paving program; acquisition and installation of a new HVAC control system and parking lot, driveway and sidewalk paving and concreting at Brookfield High School; and replacement of the fire pump generator and parking lot, driveway and sidewalk paving and concreting at Whisconier Middle School (collectively referred to herein as the "2019-20 Capital Improvements Project" or the "Project"). The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition and materials, installation, site improvements, engineering fees, contractor and subcontractor fees, and legal fees, net interest on borrowings, and other expenses and financing costs related to the Project.
- (b) That the Town issue its serial bonds or notes and temporary notes or enter into one or more equipment leases, as applicable, in an aggregate amount not to exceed THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$3,542,175) to finance the appropriation for the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Sections 7 369 and 10-289 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "General Statutes"), and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes and any leases shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The bonds or notes may be issued in one or more series, and any series may be sold as a single issue or consolidated with any other bonds or notes of the Town. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the bonds or notes. The First Selectman and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign the bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The bonds or notes shall bear the seal of the Town or a facsimile of the seal. The First Selectmen and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes or equipment leases, as applicable; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.

- (c) That the Town issue and renew its temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes for the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project, provided the amount of notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$3,542,175). The notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-378 of the General Statutes, and shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of 7 378a of the General Statutes if the notes do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7 378. The First Selectmen and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, form, and other details of the notes; to sell the notes at public or private sale; to deliver the notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the notes.
- (d) While it is preferred that the bonds, notes or leases and temporary notes authorized hereby will be issued as obligations on which the interest may be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, if necessary to comply with federal tax law restrictions, the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized, upon the advice of bond counsel, to issue all or any portion of the bonds or notes and temporary notes authorized hereby as obligations the interest on which is includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, and it is hereby found and determined that the issuance of any such taxable obligations is in the public interest.
- (e) That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150 2 that Project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project. The First Selectman and Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution if issued on a tax exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
- (f) That the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized to reduce the scope of the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project and spend the entire amount of the appropriation on the Project as so reduced in scope if the Project cannot be completed for the amount appropriated.
- (g) That the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes.
- (h) That the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town designated by the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized to apply for and accept Federal and State grants to defray said appropriation and enter into any grant agreements for the accomplishment of the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project. Any grant proceeds may be used to pay Project costs or principal and interest on bonds, notes or temporary notes.

- (i) That the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the 2019-20 Capital Improvements Project and to issue bonds or notes and temporary to defray the aforesaid appropriation.
 - B) PRESENTATION Steve Dunn presented on Capital Projects
 - C) DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

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- D) CLOSING OF DISCUSSION-With No further discussion, questions, or comments, Moderator Meikle closed the discussion and noted that there will be no vote on this resolution at the meeting as it will need to be voted on at a referendum.
- 7. RESOLUTION #3 VOTE ON REFERENDUM DATE Moderator Meikle asked for a Motion from the floor to set Tuesday May 21, 2019 from 6 am to 8 pm as the date and time for the Capital Projects Referendum on the same date as the Budget Referendum. Jean Hartnett made the motion and was seconded by Kathie Delinski. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT Moderator Meikle asked for a Motion to Adjourn. Steve Dunn made the motion which was seconded by Kathie Delinski. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Town Clerk